HOUSE RESOLUTION 477 By Patton

A RESOLUTION to honor the men and women of the Tennessee National Guard and Reserve.

WHEREAS, the citizens of this state are privileged to be served by the men and women who sacrifice their time and effort to ensure the well-being of the citizens of this state; and

WHEREAS, In the highest tradition of military service in our country, the patriotic men and women of the Tennessee National Guard and Reserve serve voluntarily to respond to their community and their country in times of need; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee is known as the "Volunteer State" from our history of responding to calls to action in defense of our nation and the members of the Tennessee National Guard and Reserve are now bravely serving in this country and abroad to uphold the principles which have made this country great; and

WHEREAS, If these volunteer forces are to continue to serve our nation, increased public understanding and support is required of the essential role of the Guard and Reserve in preserving our national security; and

WHEREAS, All Americans owe a debt of gratitude to those of our citizens who have sacrificed careers, left their families and endured financial hardship to protect us in the face of danger and peril to their lives; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that this
assembly pause to honor the men and women of the Tennessee National Guard and Reserve
and encourage employers to support their employees who are members of the Tennessee
National Guard and Reserve by not limiting or reducing their career advancement and
opportunities and by granting leaves of absences for military training without sacrifice of
vacation benefits.

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that all employers be encouraged to employ members of the Tennessee National Guard and Reserve.

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